

## CLAIMS

1. An external preparation containing acetylsalicylic acid or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof as an active ingredient, which  
5 is used for treatment of skin or mucosal injury caused by a viral infection, together with an inhibition effect on a pain and pruritus at said affected part.
2. An external preparation containing acetylsalicylic acid or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof as an active ingredient, which  
10 is used for treatment of vesicle, sore or ulcer of skin and mucosa caused by a viral infection together with an inhibition effect on a pain or pruritus at said affected part.
3. The external preparation according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the viral infection is due to valicella·zostervirus, herpes simplex virus or  
15 enterovirus.
4. An excellent external preparation containing acetylsalicylic acid, or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof as an active ingredient, which is used for treatment of a pain or pruritus at an affected part on skin or mucosal injury caused by a viral infection.
- 20 5. An excellent external preparation containing acetylsalicylic acid, or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof as an active ingredient, which is used for treatment of a pain or pruritus at an part of vesicle, sore, or ulcer of skin or mucosa caused by a virus infection.
6. The excellent external preparation according to claim 4 or 5  
25 wherein the virus infection is due to valicella·zostervirus, herpes simplex virus or enterovirus.
7. The external preparation according to any one of claims 1 to 6 wherein the concentration of acetylsalicylic acid or a pharmacologically

acceptable salt thereof is 0.05 to 80% by weight.

8. A method for treatment of skin or mucosal injury caused by a viral infection by administering an effective amount of acetylsalicylic acid or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof to said affected part of a patient.

9. A method for treatment of vesicle, sore or ulcer of skin or mucosa caused by a viral infection, administering an effective amount of an external preparation containing acetylsalicylic acid or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof to said affected part of a patient.

10. The method for treatment according to claim 8 or 9, wherein the viral infection is due to varicella-zostervirus, herpes simplex virus or enterovirus.

11. A method for treatment of a pain and pruritus at skin or mucosal injury caused by a viral infection, administering an effective amount of an external preparation containing acetylsalicylic acid or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof to said part of a patient.

12. The method for treatment according to claim 11, wherein the viral infection is due to varicella-zostervirus, herpes simplex virus or enterovirus.